

# FOOD SERVICES

## Stormwater Best Management Practices

Protect creeks and lakes.  
Help avoid fines for polluting.



### Oil and Grease

- ✓ NEVER pour grease into a storm drain or dumpster
- ✓ Collect grease in covered, leak-free bins
- ✓ Inspect grease bins and clean up any spills or leaks
- ✓ Prevent spills—carry container to the grease bin BEFORE it's half full

### Spill Response

- ✓ NEVER wash away outdoor spills
- ✓ Use absorbent materials to soak up and contain spills
- ✓ Place spill kits and absorbent materials in areas where spills are most likely to occur
- ✓ Report spills to 311

### Wash Water

- ✓ Dispose of all wash water into a maintenance sink
- ✓ Clean floor mats, kitchen and outdoor grill equipment in a maintenance sink or in an area that drains to the sanitary sewer—not to a storm drain

### Dumpsters

- ✓ Keep dumpster lids closed
- ✓ Sweep up litter in the dumpster area—do not hose off
- ✓ Keep the plug in the dumpster
- ✓ Inspect the dumpster regularly and replace when holes/leaks develop

**Report Spills and Stormwater Pollution to  
311 or (704) 336-7600**

For more information, visit [StormWater.CharMeck.org/PollutionPrevention](http://StormWater.CharMeck.org/PollutionPrevention)



# Storm Drains are for Rain Only



Stormwater goes directly to our creeks and lakes without treatment. Pollution that washes away with rain and enters storm drains is called stormwater pollution.

Preventing stormwater pollution is important for:



Drinking Water



Recreation



Fish & Wildlife



Quality of Life

**Pollution *isn't just bad for*  
the environment—IT'S ILLEGAL.**

*You can be fined up to **\$10,000** per day, per event.*

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